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SUBJECT: US-AUSTRALIAN CONSULTATIONS ON THE INDIAN OCEAN

1. ON MARCH 10, AMBASSADOR RENOUF INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE AUSTRALIANS ACCEPT US INVITATION TO CONSULT ON THE LAND-BASED STRIKE AIRCRAFT ISSUE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN TALKS. HE ASKED IF THE US COULD PROVIDE AN AGENDA SO THAT THE AUSTRALIAN SIDE COULD BETTER PREPARE FOR THE TALKS. HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY FURTHER INFORMATION ON CANBERRA'S PREFERENCES ON TIMING, LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION, ETC.

2. ON MARCH 16, THE DEPARTMENT PASSED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED AGENDA TO THE AUSTRALIANS:

I. US SECURITY POLICY IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND PACIFIC
(US LEAD)

.II. RELATIONSHIP OF AN INDIAN OCEAN AGREEMENT TO THIS
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POLICY (US LEAD)

III. DESCRIPTION OF AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTERESTS AND
CONCERNS (AUSTRALIAN LEAD)

IV. EXPLANATION OF THE LAND-BASED STRIKE AIRCRAFT
PROBLEM (US LEAD)

V. DISCUSSION OF CRITERIA TO BE USED IN EVALUATING
OPTIONS

VI. DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES:

1. OPTIONS PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED BY THE UNITED
STATES

2. NEW OPTIONS

3. CONCERNING TIMING, WE STATED THAT EITHER APRIL 11,
12, OR 13 WOULD BE CONVENIENT FOR THE US. IN THE US
VIEW, THE CONSULTATIONS MIGHT TAKE ONE TO ONE AND A HALF
DAYS WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENSION IF REQUIRED. THE
US INVITED AUSTRALIAN REACTIONS TO BOTH THE AGENDA AND
SUGGESTED TIMING OF THE TALKS. VANCE

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